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SUBJECT: CHANG NIV CASE

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SUMMARY. MFA MAY NOT BE WILLING TO PERMIT CHANG INTERVIEW WITHOUT HAVING FIRST SEEN APPLICATION FORM WE INTEND TO USE. WE BELIEVE THERE CONTINUE TO BE GOOD REASONS FOR NOT OFFERING AT THIS POINT TO MAKE THIS FORM AVAILABLE TO MFA IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHANG CASE, BUT THAT CONCERNS OF BOTH SIDES CAN BE MET BY OUR SENDING THE FORM TO ANOTHER PRC NIV APPLICANT C/O SAME CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE OFFICE HANDLING CHANG CASE. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT'S CONCURRENCE IN THIS MESSAGE'S PROPOSAL. END SUMMARY.

1. THERE HAS BEEN NO RESPONSE TO OUR SEPT 5 LETTER INVITING MR. AND MRS. CHANG TO COME FOR INTERVIEWS. WE BELIEVE CHANGS WILL PROBABLY NOT BE PERMITTED TO VISIT USLO UNTIL AFTER MFA HAS HAD A CHANCE TO STUDY APPLICATION FORM (257A (EE)) USLO PLANS TO USE FOR CHANGS AND FUTURE PRC NIV APPLICANTS.

2. ONE OPTION WOULD BE TO SEND COPIES TO THE CHANGS

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C/O CTS, ON THE ASSUMPTION MFA WOULD REVIEW THEM.

HOWEVER, SINCE WE INDICATED TO MFA IN SEPT 4 MEETING THAT CHANGS WOULD BE ASKED TO FILL OUT FORMS AT USLO, AND SINCE SEPT 5 LETTER TO CHANGS REQUESTED THEM TO COME TO USLO TO COMPLETE FORMS, USING THIS OPTION WOULD GIVE APPEARANCE NOT ONLY OF VACILLATING AND BEING OVERLY ANXIOUS IN CHANG CASE, BUT ALSO OF A BACKDOWN BY USG ON THE ISSUE OF SUBMITTING A USG INTERNAL FORM FOR MFA APPROVAL.

3. USLO PROPOSES TO TRY TO CIRCUMVENT THESE PROBLEMS, AND STILL INDIRECTLY GIVE MFA A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THE FORM, BY SENDING 257A (EE) TO SOME OTHER PRC NATIONAL C/O CTS OFFICE HANDLING THE CHANG CASE. WE HAVE SEVERAL VERY RECENT LETTERS FROM PRC RESIDENTS REQUESTING INFORMATION ON VISITORS VISA PROCEDURES, AND A RESPONSE TO ANY OF THEM THAT COULD APPROPRIATELY BE SENT THROUGH CTS WOULD LET THE MFA SEE OUR NEW FORM WHILE NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVING THE CHANGS.

4. THE WU SISTERS, SUBJECT OF A JUNE 6, 1975, OM RELATING TO THEIR INHERITANCE CASE, HAVE ASKED "FOR HELP IN ARRANGING THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES" (LETTER MAY 20, 1975). WITH DEPT'S CONCURRENCE, USLO WILL SEND FOLLOWING LETTER TO WU SISTERS C/O CTS, ENCLOSING 257A (EE): "I REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF MAY 20, 1975, REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING FOR A VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. IN ORDER TO APPLY FOR VISITORS VISAS TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES, IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO VISIT THE LIAISON OFFICE FOR A PERSONAL INTERVIEW. I AM ENCLOSING TWO VISA APPLICATION FORMS, WHICH YOU MAY WISH TO COMPLETE, EXCEPT FOR SIGNING, IN ADVANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, AN OFFICER OF THE LIAISON OFFICE WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST YOU IN COMPLETING THE FORMS AT THE TIME OF YOUR INTERVIEW. (OFFICE HOURS, ETC.)"

5. IF CTS LATER ASKS FOR FORMS FOR CHANGS TO COMPLETE PRIOR TO INTERVIEW, WE SEE NO OBJECTION TO PROVIDING THEM, SINCE THIS WOULD NOT HAVE APPEARANCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF SUBMISSION FOR PRIOR APPROVAL.

6. USLO BELIEVES THAT IN INTERESTS OF CONSISTENCY WE SHOULD USE 257A (EE) FOR OUTSET AND NOT 257, SINCE WE IMPLIED TO MFA THAT FORM USED NOW WOULD BE USED FOR ALL PRC APPLICANTS, AT LEAST FOR NEAR FUTURE.

7. USLO HAS STILL NOT RECEIVED A-5554 WITH ENGLISH

VERSION OF 257A (EE). IF NOT ALREADY POUCHED, PLEASE
SEND ASAP. USLO WILL USE ENGLISH VERSION FOR TIME
BEING, SINCE WE TOLD MFA SEPT 4 OUR NEW FORM WOULD
BE IN ENGLISH. WE WILL DO THE TRANSLATION
LATER.

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